

Recovery Plan Action Status

Plan Name: Alabama Red-bellied Turtle

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Species	Action Priority #	Action #	Action Description	Action Status	Est. Initiation Date	Est. Completion Date	Responsible Parties	Work Type	Labor Type	Action Comments
Alabama red-belly turtle (Pseudemys alabamensis)	1	1	Determine population parameters	Partially Complete	Prior to FY 1995	FY 2015	Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta, U.S. Fish and Wildlife enhancement	Research: Demographic Studies, Research: Population Surveys	Contract, Graduate Student, Species Expert	Tasks 1 and 2 will require \$17,000 per year for 3 years. Task 1 will require a resurvey of all parameters at 3-year interval
Alabama red-belly turtle (Pseudemys alabamensis)	3	10	Provide news releases, popular articles, and educational talks	Ongoing Current	Prior to FY 1995	FY 2030	Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta, U.S. Fish and Wildlife enhancement	Other: Information and Education	Contract, Graduate Student, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert	
Alabama red-belly turtle (Pseudemys alabamensis)	3	11	Scientific publication	Ongoing Current	Prior to FY 1995	FY 2030	USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta, U.S. Fish and Wildlife enhancement, Researchers	Research: General	Contract, Graduate Student, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert	Journal article to be condensed for Endangered Species Technical Bulletin

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Alabama red-belly turtle (<i>Pseudemys alabamensis</i>)	1	2	Study ecology	Ongoing Current	Prior to FY 1995	FY 2030	Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta, U.S. Fish and Wildlife enhancement	Research: Competition, Research: Demographic Studies, Research: Disease, Research: Environmental Contaminants, Research: Genetics, Research: Habitat Requirements, Research: Habitat Status, Research: Management Techniques, Research: Migration, Research: Other Information, Research: Population Surveys, Research: Predation, Research: Propagation, Research: Reintroduction, Research: Taxonomic Studies	Contract, Graduate Student, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert	
Alabama red-belly turtle (<i>Pseudemys alabamensis</i>)	2	3	Guidelines for conservation	Partially Complete	Prior to FY 1995	FY 2015	Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta, U.S. Fish and Wildlife enhancement	Research: Other Information	Contract, Graduate Student, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert	No cost, guidelines to be developed after completion of Tasks 1 and 2
Alabama red-belly turtle (<i>Pseudemys alabamensis</i>)	2	4	Reduce depredation and disturbance	Ongoing Current	Prior to FY 1995	FY 2030	U.S. Department of Agriculture, Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta, U.S. Fish and Wildlife enhancement	Research: Demographic Studies, Research: Population Surveys, Research: Predation	Contract, Graduate Student, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance, Species Expert	A plan presenting alternatives and costs to be developed by USDA (ADC)
Alabama red-belly turtle (<i>Pseudemys alabamensis</i>)	2	5	Obtain authority to manage habitats	Partially Complete	Prior to FY 1995	FY 2020	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Realty, The Nature Conservancy, USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta, Coastal Land Trust	Acquisition: Easement, Acquisition: Fee Title, Acquisition: Management Agreement	Contract	Acquisition costs undetermined

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Alabama red-belly turtle (<i>Pseudemys alabamensis</i>)	2	6	Protect through law enforcement	Ongoing Current	Prior to FY 1995	FY 2030	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Law Enforcement Division, Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta	Other: Law Enforcement	Internal Administrative, Internal Technical Assistance	Funding to ADCNR for patrols (one per week, April 1 to October 15) through a Cooperative Agreement
Alabama red-belly turtle (<i>Pseudemys alabamensis</i>)	2	7	Prohibit snagging and dredging in important basking areas	Ongoing Current	Prior to FY 1995	FY 2030	USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta, U.S. Fish and Wildlife enhancement, Mobile District Corps of Engineers	Management: Habitat Maintenance and Manipulation	Contract, Internal Administrative, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance	
Alabama red-belly turtle (<i>Pseudemys alabamensis</i>)	3	8	Protect aquatic vegetation important to the turtle	Ongoing Current	Prior to FY 1995	FY 2030	Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta, U.S. Fish and Wildlife enhancement, Mobile District Corps of Engineers	Management: Habitat Maintenance and Manipulation, Management: Land Use, Management: Planning	Contract, Internal Administrative, Internal Field Assistance, Internal Technical Assistance	This effort should be initiated as soon as information becomes available from Task 2
Alabama red-belly turtle (<i>Pseudemys alabamensis</i>)	3	9	Prepare conservation poster	Partially Complete	FY 1995 - FY 1999	FY 2010	Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, USFWS Regional Office 4 - Atlanta, U.S. Fish and Wildlife enhancement	Other: Information and Education	Contract, Graduate Student, Species Expert	Costs will cover layout and printing of 2000 posters. Costs do not cover staff time